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[54] **ANTIGEN OF A HUMAN RETROVIRUS, NAMELY P18 PROTEIN OF HUMAN IMMUNODEFICIENCY VIRUS (HIV), COMPOSITIONS CONTAINING THE ANTIGEN, A DIAGNOSTIC METHOD FOR DETECTING ACQUIRED IMMUNE DEFICIENCY SYNDROME (AIDS) AND PRE-AIDS AND A KIT THEREFOR**

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[57] **ABSTRACT**

Protein compositions containing proteins of the lymphadenopathy virus, which compositions are used for diagnosis of antibodies of such protein in biological fluids, especially blood serum, for the detection or absence of infection. Such compositions contain typically the p18, p13 and/or p25 proteins.

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